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Sir: Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

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DISK APPARATUS

Enclosed	are:		
X	Sheets of Drawings		
X	This application is being filed without an executed Declaration.		
	Priority is claimed from Japanese Application No. 2000-376054		
Х	filed December 11, 2000 . A certified copy is attached herewith.		
П	Copies of the disclosure documents listed on the attached PTO 1449 form and		
	 discussed in the specification or attached Information Disclosure Statement. 		
	A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27.		
X	Specification: Abstract X, Description 32 pages; and 11 claim(s).		
	Preliminary Amendment.		
	Evacuted Declaration		

The filing fee is calculated as shown below:

For:	No. Filed		No. Extra		
Basic Fee					
Total Claims	11	-20 =	*	0	
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Small Entity

Fee		
\$ 370		
\$		
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Large Entity

Rate	Fee		
	\$	740	
x 18	\$	0	
x 84	\$	0	
+ 280	\$	0	
Total	s	740	

X	A check in the amount of \$	740.00	is enclosed for the filing fee.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required to X Deposit Account No. 50-1417.

Respectfully Submitted.

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